

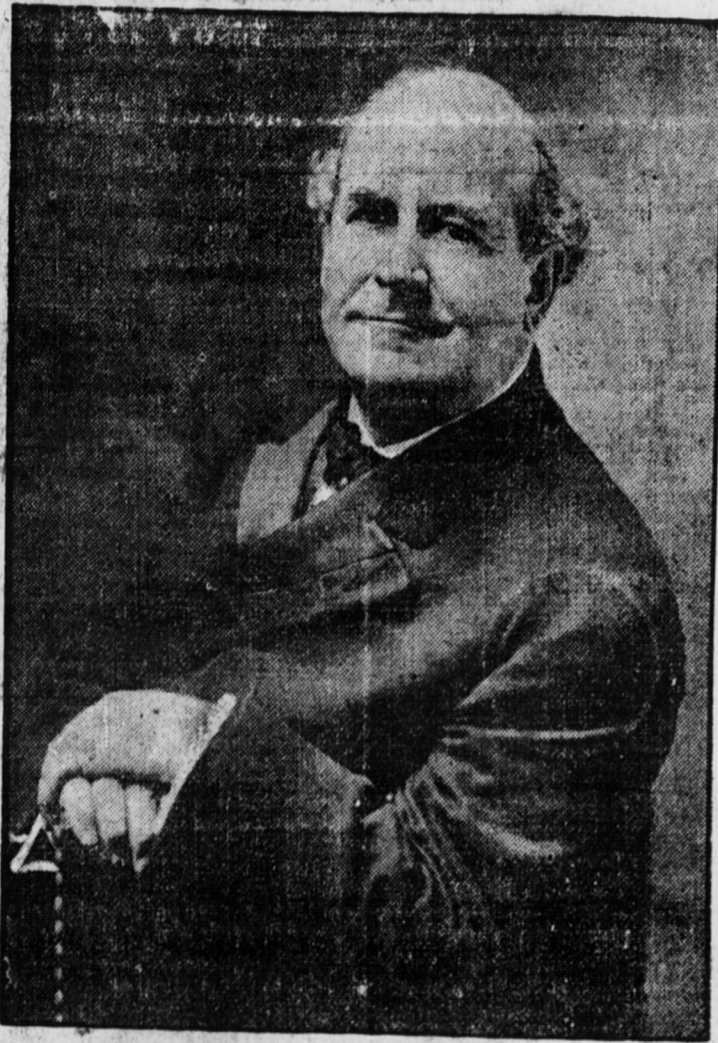
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BRYAN, Pacifist, says



"If war can not be averted, I will do my duty as a patriotic American citizen."

Taulbee Scores Proposed Law

A Comprehensive Indictment of the Corporations' Pet Scheme

Editor Licking Valley Courier, West Liberty.

My Dear Captain:

Having made a study of the proposed "Revenue and Taxation Law" now before our General Assembly in special session, and concluding from my study of the subject that the proposed law is a menace to the people generally and especially to the people of the mountain counties, I beg you to insert in the next issue of your paper the following warning which I address to the taxpayers:

The Kentucky Tax Commission appointed by Governor Stanley to investigate, revise and report on our present system of taxation, and to draft a bill for new laws embodying their recommendations for improvements in our present system, rendered their report some time ago and our present Senate and Legislature now have their report before them in special session at Frankfort, for the purpose of considering the passage of the bill as an "emergency enactment," the emergency clause being based on the statement of the administration that "our present State revenue is inadequate to defray the NECESSARY expense of government." In the outset I wish to commend the Kentucky Tax Commission for their valuable discovery that our present State revenue is inadequate to meet our expenses. In view of the fact that Kentucky is more than four million dollars in debt today, I feel sure that every sensible man in the State will agree with the learned commission that our revenue is insufficient to meet our expenses. This is an evident fact. I note however that the commission refers to NECESSARY expense, making the unqualified assertion that our taxes are not sufficient to meet it. I question that statement, for I insist that if the cost of our government was reduced to NECESSARY expense we could soon pay off our indebtedness and keep a large surplus in our treasury. The Kentucky Tax Commission is a living example of, or reason for, our inability to pay the cost of our government, for it is through the organization and maintenance of such superfluous, inactive, expensive and unnecessary com-

missions and boards that we have been swamped in the maelstrom of debt and civic despair. The creation of this additional commission is a further effort on the part of our administration to take care of the increase in our political family of pensioners who must have a draw at the financial teat of our government. Oh TAXPAYER! How long will you continue to pay tribute from the fruits of your toil, enterprise and frugality to the God of political patronage and graft? How long will you continue to swallow without protest the bitter pill of taxation foisted upon you by scheming politicians and hellish grafters and say "it is good?" How long are you willing to subject yourselves to this damnable yoke of serfdom and bow the knee to this political octopus whose tentacles are even now sucking the very last vestige of hope from your hearts and covering with deadening slime the ambitions of your children? How long are you going to continue to have your purses drained to the dregs—yourself and your families denied the very comforts of life, and your own hopes blighted and ruined in order to keep up the pomp and splendor of social life in our capital? It is time to awake and take the reins in your own hands, for unless you do it we shall soon be beyond hope. In the hope of bringing you to a sane realization of what confronts you under the proposed tax law, I unhesitatingly condemn it as a whole and question the seriousness and truthful conviction of its authors.

Before taking up the discussion of the bill's many faults I wish to heartily endorse the stand taken against it by our home paper, the "Licking Valley Courier," and commend its able editor, Captain Cottle, and his assistant, Mr. Hovermale, for the intelligent, manly way in which they have expressed their sentiments against the measure. It proves that the Courier and its staff are true friends to the people, ever ready to champion your cause when your rights are assailed.

The proposed law undertakes to completely revise our present system of taxation, and, as may be readily gleaned from the commission's report and the law,

as drafted, the sole purpose of the revision is to wipe out the State debt and maintain a surplus in our treasury. The purpose is commendable, but the means they propose to employ, and the motive behind the bill, is an outrage on the taxpayers of this Commonwealth. The commission tries in the very outset of the bill to blindfold the people by providing for a reduction of our tax rate from 55 cents to 40 cents on the one hundred dollars. Anything tending to reduce taxation appeals to the taxpayer, and therefore thousands will swallow the bait. In the face of our four million dollars indebtedness and our present tax of 55 cents, the commission tells you they intend to reduce your tax rate 15 cents on the one hundred dollars, pay off the indebtedness of the State and have a surplus always in the treasury. The proposition looks shaky to start with, for nowhere in the proposed law will you find a clause providing for an economic reduction of the expense of our government. That being true, how do they hope to reduce our taxes, pay off our disgraceful State debt and continue to run our affairs of State at a vastly increased cost? They attempt to explain the miracle in their report to Governor Stanley, and in the attempt they unwittingly divulge the underlying motive of the bill under consideration. We shall now see if their proposition is a relief to the taxpayer and whether or not it affords the revision of taxation we need.

They start the bill by providing for the creation of a permanent tax commission consisting of three members at an annual salary of \$4,000.00 each, a Secretary at an annual salary of \$2,000.00, and an additional lump-sum appropriation of \$20,000.00 per year for traveling expenses, clerk hire, etc. To this they add by provision, an additional \$10,000.00 per year for office furniture and fixtures, printed forms and other stationery and supplies; they also provide for an annual convention of Assessors to be held at Frankfort at the expense of the tax-payers, which will cost them at least \$4,000.00 per year, making a total of approximately \$50,000.00 to maintain the three commissioners and their staff. (The bill further provides—please note—that the commissioners shall reside at Frankfort.) The supervisory power over the assessment and valuation of all property in the State, and it empowers them to place a valuation on the property of each county in the State, on which valuation the tax is to be pro-rated by the County Board of Supervisors amongst the citizens of the respective counties according to their individual wealth. In other words, you taxpayers have your property valued or assessed for taxation by the State Board in Frankfort. Elaborate ways and means are provided for the commission by which they are to determine the value of property in each county, and to that end the law empowers it and directs it, when necessary, to hold long and expensive investigations, and as a court to summon witnesses, examine county records, appraise property, etc., all at the expense of the taxpayers. They can even examine your bank accounts, your notes, mortgages, bonds—in fact nothing can be withheld from their inspection and official scrutiny. Your innermost business secrets become the property of this commission and its agents. The bill also provides that where a property holder feels that his property has been overvalued or too highly rated he may file complaint with the County Board of Supervisors, and from that tribunal he may take his complaint to the Circuit Court, all at his own expense. Please bear in mind that the valuation of his property is fixed by the County Board of Supervisors on a pro-rata basis in proportion his property holds to the total valuation of property in the county as fixed by the State Tax Commission. One may see at a glance that there will be thousands of complaints filed, and as each complaint will lead to an expensive investigation or litigation in Circuit Court, I feel safe in saying that the cost of these investigations and trials by our Tax Commission and courts will cost the taxpayers of Kentucky at least three hundred thousand dollars a year for many years to come. There is no limit to the scope of these investigations and tax courts, and they may be held here at West Liberty, at Frankfort or at any other point in the State where the commission sees fit to hold them. An hundred witnesses may be summoned to Frankfort in order to determine whether "John Doe" should pay tax on \$500.00 worth of property or on \$100.00 worth, and you my fellow taxpayers, will have to foot the bill. I presume that would be one of the items of NECESSARY cost of our State government. Our county Sheriffs and County Clerks have many exhaustive and varied duties to perform under the new law, so many in fact that it will take at least one-fourth of their time to perform them. The proposed law provides that they shall each receive \$3.00 per day EXTRA PAY for such time they devote to the new tax system. Mr. Taxpayer, you pay that too. There is no doubt in my mind whatever but what the new system, if adopted, will cost the taxpayers at least half a million dollars yearly, and yet the commission proposes to reduce your tax rate to 40 cents, pay off our \$4,000,000.00 indebtedness and have plenty of money left in our treasury. Don't swallow it, my friends—don't swallow it. There is a "nigger" in the wood-pile somewhere.

Here is how they propose to accomplish the impossible, and they can too, if you will stand for it. In the proposed law they deny the counties the right to tax farm implements and machinery and products in course of manufacture, and raw material on hand for purpose of manufacture, money in hand or in banks, notes, bonds, accounts, mortgages, and other credits of every description. The tax on this property is to go solely to the State, and the counties are thus deprived of one of their greatest sources of revenue, while the State gains what the counties lose. But does this relieve the taxpayer or in any way reduce his taxes? We shall see.

We find the bills provides that the elaborate forms and books necessary for carrying out the provisions of the proposed law must be paid for by the county to which they are sent; the expense of the County Assessor on his yearly jaunt to Frankfort must be borne by the county; the costs of the long and tedious investigations and court proceed-

"ARMED NEUTRALITY" WILSON ASKS FOR

President Asks Congress for Power to Protect American Commerce

Liner Laconia Sunk with Americans Aboard Torpedoed at Night Without Warning

Germany Seems Determined on War with United States.

German submarines sunk the British liner, Laconia, Monday without warning. The ship had Americans aboard, and Tuesday President Wilson appeared before Congress and asked to be given full power to use the army and navy to protect American lives and commerce. He asked to put the United States on a footing of "armed neutrality," or prepared to defend American rights by force without declaring war.

The almost universal opinion of high officials at Washington is that there is no hope of averting war with Germany. It may be weeks in culminating and it may come in a moment, but that Germany will drive the United States into the war by her ruthless submarine warfare no one doubts.

Since February 1 German submarines have sunk 3 American, 49 other neutral, 106 British, and 17 other belligerent vessels, with considerable loss of life. American commerce is endangered and conditions are becoming intolerable. It seems that the time has come when America must act or be ignominiously driven from the high seas.

ings which will ensue must be borne by the county, and this includes witness fees, court costs, etc., extra pay of the Sheriff and County Clerk must be paid by the county, and the County Board of Supervisors must be likewise paid by the county. In addition to this additional cost the taxpayer will have to employ attorneys and go to other heavy expense in trying out complaints of overvaluation. All this additional expense has to be paid, and as the State totally deprives the counties of one great source of revenue, and as the value of property will be sent up by leaps and bounds by the State Commission in order to meet the State's demands, it can have but one effect on the taxpayer and that is a decided increase in his taxes. The expense of county government must be paid, and if a great part of our county revenue is taken from us, and great additional cost heaped on us we will of necessity have to increase our taxes to meet the demand of local government. There is no other way out of it.

The proposed commission is empowered to place whatever value they deem fit on the property in the respective counties and the taxpayers must meet the taxation. They will take our state indebtedness as a working basis and by computing the total wealth of the State at the proposed tax

rate of 40 cents they can arrive at the number of years it will require to liquidate the State debt. If the time is too long to suit the political purposes of the administration, they can easily shorten it by increasing the valuation of your property. You have no voice in the matter at all. In other words, they can place the total valuation of property in Morgan county at \$10,000,000.00, and no matter if we have but \$5,000,000.00 worth, we will have to pay tax on their valuation. And friends, remember that the greater the valuation of your property for the purpose of taxation, the sooner the State debt will be paid off and the longer for surplus obtained. Do you catch the point and see the danger which confronts you if this bill becomes a law?

Down in Frankfort during the past few years we have maintained an host of political pensioners who have been fed by the honest hand of toil. Through their wastefulness, their graft and absolute uselessness we have drifted deeper and deeper into the cesspool of ignoble debt until we are now unable to see any hope of immediate relief. This condition of affairs reflects seriously on our administrations, past and present, and especially on the present one. They know their sins will find them out if something is not done, so they

are now trying to blanket this dastardly bill through our legislature and nail the unwitting taxpayer to the cross of their infamy. In other words, they have taxed you to death and run the State heavily in debt besides, and in order to wipe from their cloak the dark stains of their civic unrighteousness and redeem their power and prestige with the people they have wronged, they perpetrate this damnable law on you and attempt to blind you as to its real import and purpose.

I implore you to rise up en masse against this outrage and not allow yourselves to be led as sheep to the slaughter for the comfort, pleasure and edification of the unscrupulous politicians of our State.

G. C. TAULBEE.

No Smallpox.

We are authorized by Dr. B. F. Carter, Chairman of the local board of health, to say that there are no cases of smallpox in West Liberty, the quarantine having recently been raised from the homes of Mrs. Martha Womack and L. A. Lykins.

FOREST.

Allison Deboard has moved into the property on Jones Creek recently vacated by L. A. Music. Henry Easterling has moved from Jones Creek to Andrew Wells' property near Wells station.

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JAS. W. DAVIS ANNOUNCES FOR SUPERINTENDENT.

We call the attention of our readers to the formal announcement, in this issue, of Jas. W. Davis as a candidate for the nomination for Superintendent of Schools of Morgan county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, August 4, 1917.

Mr. Davis needs neither introduction nor encomium at our hands. He is personally known to more people in Morgan county than any other man within her confines. His duties as County Superintendent for the past three years have taken him to every school district and necessarily brought him in touch with practically all of the pupils and most of the patrons of the county.

His work speaks for itself. His official record is before the people, and of this record he invites the closest inspection. It is no presumption to say that none of his predecessors have done more and that few have done as much for the public schools of the county as Jim Davis. He had been a successful teacher for a number of years before he was elected Superintendent, and this experience coupled with character and exceptional executive ability have enabled him to perform the manifold duties of the office to his own credit and to the lasting advantage of his constituents.

There are a great many people, well informed in local political matters, who do not believe Mr. Davis will have any opposition for the nomination.

However this may be—opposition or no opposition—take his claims, consider them carefully, and do your duty as progressive citizens when you go to the polls in August.

List of Claims Allowed.

By the Morgan County Fiscal Court for the Year 1916.

(Continued from last week.)

Names of persons entitled.	Services.	Amount.
Cecil, Rollie	judge November election 1916	2.56
Carter, C. M.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Cox, J. R.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Cox, G. B.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Cottle, D. N.	judge November election 1916	2.80
Cottle, J. M.	sheriff November election 1916	2.00
Cottle, L. F.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Caskey, W. A.	election commissioner two days	4.00
Cattle, Alex	work on lard road	5.63
Carpenter, J. M.	two days fiscal court	6.00
Cox, D. M.	two days fiscal court	6.00
Childers, W. H.	lumber, etc.	23.60
Carpenter, D. M.	one day fiscal court	3.00
Cox, D. M.	one day fiscal court	3.00
Combs, H. C.	custodian public property, 1916	400.00
Cox, J. R.	one day viewing road	1.00
Day, H. L.	judge August primary 1916	2.64
Day, I. N.	sheriff August primary 1916	2.64
Davidson, Bill	judge August primary 1916	2.90
Day, Shilo	lumber	.80
Davis, A. J.	hauling on road	10.00
Day, Amos	repairing jail	10.00
Dyer, H. T.	services to Watkins children	1.00
Day, J. R.	three days fiscal court	9.00
Dennis, S. S.	salary to November 1 1916	150.00
Day, E. W.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Davis, B. H.	judge November election 1916	2.80
D-haven, M. C.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Day, J. R.	cost G. L. B. vs. Morgan county	54.80
Dy, J. R.	cost, error assessment	21.80
Dixon, John	hauling on road	7.50
Day, Amos	work on jail	7.00
Day, J. R.	two days fiscal court	6.00
Davis, Bob	allowance to December 1 1916	12.00
Dennis, S. S.	salary to December 1 1916	75.00
Davis, Jas. W.	salary to January 1 1917	75.00
Davis, Jas. W.	salary to February 1 1917	75.00
Dennis, S. S.	salary to December 1916	75.00
Dennis, S. S.	salary to February 1 1917	75.00
Davis, Jas. W.	Salary to December 1 1916	75.00
Day, J. R.	one day fiscal court	3.00
Elam, Manford	sheriff August primary 1916	3.12
Easterling, W. G.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Elam, C. C.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Elam, R. M.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Elam, W. W.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Fannin, W. W.	blasting on road	18.00
Friley, A. J.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Franklin, H. B.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Franklin, H. B.	viewing road one day	1.00
Ferguson, J. H.	goods Amos Lyons	24.00
Ferguson, R. L.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Ferguson, A. B.	sheriff November election 1916	2.80
Ferguson, Lewis M.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Ferguson, Leander	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Fannin, J. D.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Friley, A. J.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Foreman, W. R.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Foster, Robert	work on Index road	10.00
Gevendon, J. M.	3 days fiscal court	9.00
Gevendon, W. F.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Gevendon, J. M.	2 days fiscal court	6.00
Gevendon, J. M.	1 day fiscal court	3.00
Gardner, W. M.	in full of salary 1916	125.00
Havens, C. L.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Havens, Jas. G.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Havens, J. C.	judge August primary 1916	2.56
Henry, J. D.	judge August primary 1916	2.56
Hurt, S. H. W.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Hutchinson, F. M.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Hurt, D. B.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Havens, J. F.	sheriff August primary 1916	3.12
Hale, C. R.	judge August primary 1916	2.48
Henry, Tom	sheriff August primary 1916	2.48
Hopkins, Isaac	blasting on road	18.00
He ry, E. & Son	merchandise	14.33
Hollon, J. B.	powder	2.75
Howard, John E.	right of way	25.00
Henry, J. L.	paid Hughes woman	6.00
Henry, C. P.	expense, etc.	2.14
Henry, T. G.	lumber, etc.	13.00
Halsey, Curt	lumber	54.75
Hurt, S. M. R.	salary to November 1 1916	75.00
Henry, C. P.	conveying John Lawson to Winchester jail	36.25
Henry, Jas. V.	judge November election 1916	2.80
Havens, J. C.	sheriff November election 1916	2.80
Henry, J. L.	judge November election 1916	2.56

Names of persons entitled.	Services.	Amount.
Henry, K. L.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Hurt, D. B.	sheriff November election 1916	2.50
Havens, H. M.	lumber, etc.	3.65
Haney, V. P.	lumber, etc.	26.28
Hurt, S. M. R.	salary to December 1 1916	75.00
Hatfield, Madison	allowance to January 1 1917	9.00
Hurt, S. M. R.	salary to January 1 1917	75.00
Havens, J. F.	keeping Sarah Stamper to February 1 1917	15.00
Hurt, S. M. R.	allowance to March 1 1917	75.00
Hatfield, Madison	judge November election 1916	6.00
Ison, R. M.	clerk August primary 1916	3.44
Jones, Custer	sheriff November election 1916	2.90
Jenkins, Nathan	judge August primary 1916	3.12
Keith, W. R.	judge August primary 1916	2.56
Kendall, W. M. Telco	phone rent	50.00
Kash, W. S.	goods Cole Barker	20.00
Kash, W. S.	goods Levica Lawson	22.00
Ky Block C C Co	merchandise	44.65
Ky Block C C Co	merchandise	10.10
Lacy, W. F.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Lewis, T. E.	sheriff August primary 1916	2.80
Lykins, J. F.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Lewis, W. L.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Lykins, W. H.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Lewis, J. H.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Lewis, J. F.	sheriff August primary 1916	2.56
Lindon, Heddie	judge August primary, 1916	3.65
Lykins, L. A.	election commissioner nine days	18.00
Lykins, L. A.	fee bill	325.75
Lawson & Killgore	shop work	5.95
Lacy, Green Jr.	work	10.45
Lacy, W. C.	hauling lumber, etc.	7.00
Lykins, J. D.	cost G. L. G. vs. Morgan county	136.64
Lacy, W. F.	3 days fiscal court	9.00
Lewis, J. H.	3 days fiscal court	9.00
Lewis, J. H.	goods E. D. Brown	36.00
Lewis, J. H.	goods Robbins woman	96.00
Lewis, J. H.	goods Dora Cox	18.00
Lewis, J. H.	goods Lizzie Riggsby	36.00
Lykins, Henry	sheriff November election 1916	3.12
Lacy, W. F.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Lewis, J. H.	judge November election 1916	2.56
Lacy, Ollie	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Lykins, L. A.	election commissioner two days	4.00
Lacy, Curt	sills, etc.	4.00
Lacy, W. F.	2 days fiscal court	6.00
Lewis, J. H.	2 days fiscal court	6.00
Lewis, J. F.	1 day viewing road	1.00
Lewis, J. H. Esq.	1 day viewing road	1.00
Lewis, J. H.	1 day fiscal court	3.00
Maxey, C. C.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
McGaire, Bernard	judge August primary 1916	2.80
McQuinn, J. M.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
May, F. C.	sheriff August primary 1916	2.56
Maxey, J. M.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
May, C. C.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Murphy, Roy	bridge lumber and sills	49.00
McKenzie, O. J.	account filed	30.00
Manker, W. H.	account filed	64.96
Murphy, T. K.	hauling on road	5.00
McClain, Auty	account filed	13.18
Mor. Co. H. F. & Leo	gas bill	65.75
McGuire, D. na	hauling on road	10.00
Manker, Lula B.	taking depositions	44.80
McGuire, T. S.	3 days fiscal court	9.00
Martin, Callie	damage	100.00
Murphy, D. M.	election commissioner 7 days	14.00
McKenzie, C. W.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Maxey, C. C.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
May, C. C.	sheriff November election 1916	2.48
Murphy, Ben	judge November election 1916	3.12
Murphy, I. G.	judge November election 1916	2.00
McClure, L. B.	bridge committee	2.00
McKenzie, Ollie	work on Index road	4.75
McClain, Auty	account filed	9.60
McGuire, T. S.	2 days fiscal court	6.00
McGuire, T. S.	1 day fiscal court	3.00
McGuire, T. S.	holding inquest	6.00
Nickell, M. N.	inquest Anas Cox	10.00
Nickell, M. N.	visits Stella Adams	25.00
Nickell, Ren F.	fee bill	176.35
Nickell, Ren F.	account filed	11.32
Nickell, J. M.	lumber, etc.	67.43
Nickell, Smith	hauling, etc.	8.10
Nickell, Ren F.	one-half fiscal court salary	100.00
Nickell, Kelse	sheriff November election 1916	2.60
Nickell, Jas	sheriff November election 1916	3.12
Nickell, O. B.	sheriff November election 1916	3.12
Nickell, H. H.	clerk November 1916	2.00
Nickell, H. V.	jail physician	9.00
Nickell, Ren F.	recording school census	50.06
Oney, Jas P.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Oldfield, Alvin	lumber	91.08
Oakley, R. M.	account filed	22.45
Oldfield, G. W.	lumber	14.64
Oakley, W. G.	sheriff November election 1916	2.56
Oakley, Frank	viewing road 1 day	1.00
Oakley, R. M.	goods to Harve Blankenship to February 1917	6.06
Phillips, G. W.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Pieratt, M. W.	judge August primary 1916	3.12
Perkins, Flein	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Peyton, Kelly	sheriff August primary 1916	2.00
Pelfrey, T. H.	sheriff August primary 1916	3.12
Phillips, W. T.	election commissioner 7 days	14.00
Pieratt, W. H.	work on road	7.50
Perkins, Wallace	viewing road	1.00
Pelfrey, W. R.	goods Martha Halsey	13.39
Peyton, L. C.	judge November election 1916	2.80
Perry, J. N.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Peyton, Kelly	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Perry, J. W.	voting house, etc.	4.40
Roberson, J. W.	judge August primary 1916	2.56
Rose, Floyd	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Ratiff, S. H.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Rose, F. M.	lumber, etc.	27.02
Roberts, L. S.	work on jail	4.00
Stamper, B. S.	judge August primary 1916	3.12
Sparks, R. D.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Stacy, J. G.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Steele, J. G.	keeping J. T. Ferguson	5.00
Standard P'tg Co	general index to suits	18.25
Standard P'tg Co	school census book	17.00
Stacy, J. G.	hauling on road	5.10
Stamper, J. C.	account filed	7.67
Stacy, W. H.	lumber, etc.	20.81
Swango, H. C.	hauling on road	3.00
Stacy, W. H.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Short, C. A.	judge November election 1916	2.58
Stinson, J. H.	judge November election 1916	2.80
Smith, W. V.	clerk November election 1916	2.00
Short, J. H.	hauling on road	6.25
Standard P'tg Co	book	12.70
Short, Nancy	allowance to January 27 1917	4.00
Short, Nancy	allowance to November 27 1916	2.00
Templeton, L. C.	judge August primary 1916	2.6
Turner, Sam	blasting on road	7.50
Trimble, M. G.	judge November election 1916	2.64
Turner, Sam	work on Index road	2.54
Turner, John	work on Index road	5.00
Testerman, T. H.	1 day viewing road	1.00
Vest, Henry	sheriff August primary 1916	2.80
Vest, W. H.	clerk August primary 1916	2.00
Vest, W. H.	judge November election 1916	2.00
Vance, Kelly	work on Index road	2.00
Wells, H. A.	sheriff August primary 1916	10.00
Williams, W. G.	judge August primary 1916	2.00
Walters, A. T.	sheriff August primary 1916	3.12
Wheeler, J. C.	sheriff August primary 1916	2.80

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce	G. C. TAULBEE,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Representative from the 91st Legislative District, subject to the Democratic primary, 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	J. H. SEBASTIAN,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary, 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	JAS. R. DAY,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for County Judge of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary, August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	JOHN W. COFFEE,
of White Oak, as a candidate for County Attorney of Morgan county, subject to the action of the democratic primary 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	J. H. WILLIAMS,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the office of County Attorney of Morgan county subject to the democratic primary, 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	H. C. ROSE,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for County Attorney of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	JAS. W. DAVIS,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Superintendent of Schools of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary, August 4, 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	T. N. BARKER,
of Crockett, as a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary, August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	LEE BAKER,
of Malone, as a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	REN. F. NICKELL,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	C. P. HENRY,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	PERRY HENRY,
of Liberty Road, as a candidate for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the democratic primary, August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	G. W. STACY,
of Flores, as a candidate for the democratic nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the August primary election, 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	JOE ROE WELLS,
as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the action of the democratic primary, August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	H. T. DYER,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	R. B. CASSITY,
of West Liberty, as a candidate for the nomination for Jailer of Morgan county, subject to the Democratic primary August 1917.	
We are authorized to announce	W. P. HALSEY,
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Whitt, Boyd	sheriff November election 1916	2.00
Wells, W. B.	sheriff November election 1916	2.90
Williams, Guv	judge November election 1916	2.56
Williams, Jas. L.	sheriff November election 1916	2.56
Walsh, Frank	sheriff November election 1916	2.80
Walter, J. F.	judge November election 1916	3.12
Williams, L. O.	judge November election 1916	3.12
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"	goods Sarah B. Johnson	30.00
"	goods W. M. Perry	36.00
Walsh, Josh	lumber	6.00

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I, Ren F. Nickell, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of all the claims allowed by the Morgan County Fiscal Court at its regular and special sessions in the year 1917.

Given under my hand as Clerk aforesaid this 20th day of February, 1917.
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19 Daily F.M.L.V.	17 Daily A.M.L.V.	STATIONS	16 Daily A.M.F.M.	18 Daily P.M.	20 Daily P.M.	16 Daily A.M.F.M.	18 Daily P.M.	20 Daily P.M.
1.30	7.40	Licking River	7.30	12.50		7.30	12.50	
1.42	7.52	Index	7.40	12.58		7.40	12.58	
1.50	8.00	Malone	7.50	1.00		7.50	1.00	
2.08	8.17	Caney	8.00	1.12		8.00	1.12	
2.12	8.22	Cannel City	8.05	1.15	6.15	8.05	1.15	6.15
			8.10	1.20		8.10	1.20	
2.31	8.42	Helechwah	8.15	1.34	5.58	8.15	1.34	5.58
2.37	8.48	Lee City	8.20	1.38	5.52	8.20	1.38	5.52
3.04	9.16	Wilburton	8.30	1.48	5.24	8.30	1.48	5.24
3.35	9.45	O. & K. Junction	8.40	1.50	4.55	8.40	1.50	4.55
P.M. Arrive 19	A.M. Arrive 17		A.M. Leave 16	A.M. Leave 18	P.M. Leave 20	A.M. Leave 16	A.M. Leave 18	P.M. Leave 20

Train 17, leaving Index at 7.52 A. M. makes connection at O. & K. Junction with L. & N. train for Lexington and Louisville, Winchester and Cincinnati, leaving O. & K. Junction at 10.05 a. m., and due to arrive at Lexington 2.25 p. m. This train also makes connection at Jackson with L. & N. train for Hazard and McRoberts.

L. & N. train No. 1 leaves Lexington 7.00 a. m., running via Clay City and Torment, makes connection at O. & K. Junction with train No. 18, due to arrive at Cannel City 11.50 a. m., Cannel City 12.30 p. m.

Returning, train 19 leaves Index 1.42 p. m., Caney 2.08 p. m., Cannel City 2.12 p. m., makes connection at O. & K. Junction with L. & N. train No. 6 at 4.45 p. m., running via Malone and Clay City, due to arrive in Lexington at 8.30 p. m. Passengers who desire to reach stations on the old L. & E. line between Malone and Winchester should take this train.

L. & N. train No. 3 leaves Lexington 11.45 a. m., Winchester 12.30, running via Irvine and Beattyville, makes connection at O. & K. Junction with O. & K. train No. 20, due to arrive Cannel City at 6.15 p. m.

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HOW ITALIANS ARE MAKING WAY THROUGH ALPS.

System of Cable Railways Has Proved Invaluable for the Transportation of Troops and Ammunition During War.

The teleferica, or cable railway, that the Italians have contrived to supply their mountain troops quickly and easily with ammunition and provisions, is one of the most interesting inventions that the war has brought forth between high mountain and low mountain.

The steam railways, says a writer in the Railway Age Gazette, run in the valleys at the foot of the Alps. The freight, however, has to be picked up and distributed by wagon or automobile truck, and it must go up the higher mountains on mule and man's back and finally on man's back alone, bit by bit. But here the teleferica steps in and says, "Let me do it. I'm quicker and surer. I can go in all weathers. Avalanches can't stop me."

Along the 400-mile front the teleferica daily does the work of an army of at least 240,000 men—or 120,000 mules. The last figure is interesting when it is considered that there are only 175,000 mules and horses used for transportation purposes in this entire army that the Italians have organized to fight the Austrians.

According to the official statistics there are 125 miles of teleferica scattered along the front, with a total daily carrying power of 3,000 tons. Each teleferica built can carry roughly 30 tons. There are some 120 different stations, each with a line a mile or so in length. The one I saw reached a height of 11,000 feet on the side of Monte Adamello, in the central Alps; it did the work of 2,000 men every day.

The operation of the teleferica is not much more difficult than that of an electric elevator in a "skyscraper." Once the heavy motors and machinery are got up the mountain sides and the three-quarter-inch steel cables strung across deep valleys, no chains and rivers, the mounting of the car upon the overhead cable and the attaching of the pulley cable are simple enough.

We had been coming up all morning by burro from the valley, the Alpinist colonel and I, riding along narrow roads built on the side of a huge mountain.

We came at last to a small shack that blocked the road. The colonel dismounted, greeted the officer in charge of the station, and let me take a look round. I saw a couple of heavy motors with cables. My eye followed those cables, however, and they kept going across the valley and up the side of the opposite mountain until the eye, dazzled by the snow, could follow no longer. "Well," remarked the colonel, "as he cheerfully knocked the snow from his thick, horned boots, 'suppose we go up.'"

We climbed into the basket, four feet long by two wide, with side rails not more than six inches high. Wheels began to whirl, and our car ran smoothly out into space.

I held on for dear life to those low sides and fervently hoped the colonel would not rock the boat. "This thing wouldn't pay in peace times," I said.

The car ran up a 30-degree incline for a couple of minutes and stopped, for we had completed the first teleferica section of the three that would take us to our destination. In seven minutes we had traversed a distance that on foot required an hour.

Rats in the Trenches.
As yet catches in the trenches no animal, not even the ferret, can compete with the terriers and spaniels that have been taken to the front in large numbers by the French. Some months ago an army order announced that each soldier fetching a rat-catching dog to the trenches would be entitled to two extra days' leave on his next permission, and since then nearly every man going back to the front has taken a dog of some description with him. Besides the two days' leave the owner of the dog is entitled to five centimes or one sou for each rat that his dog kills and it is said that some soldiers have made a good thing out of this as a "side line."

Graves of European Soldiers.

In the first months of the war a man was commonly buried close to the place where he fell. Wherever there has been hard fighting there are many low crosses sticking out of the ground—in the fields, in cottage gardens, in corners of farmyards and orchards, even on roadside strips of grass. Where the ground has changed hands a good deal you may see, quite close, the gabled cross of the Germans, with "Hier ruht in Gott" (Here rests in God), and the bearded wreath of the French with "Mort pour la France" (Died for France), and the plain lined cross of the English "in loving memory" of one or more officers and men.

A Warning.

"You limit your conversation to an occasional cough," commented the eagle. The dove admitted the fact. "Well, you'll have to talk a great deal more than that if you hope to keep up your reputation as a peace promoter."

Natural Result.

"The car I was traveling in was telescoped in the collision. 'What happened then?'" "I saw stars."

Both Ways.

"When the police reached the stolen deserted automobile the engine was still running."

"Yes, and so are the thieves."

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MANY JOBS FOR EX-CONVICTS

Eastern Writer Finds Remarkable Change Has Taken Place in Employers' Attitude.

A year ago hardly anyone seemed to want to give the released prisoner a job. A year followed of Mr. Osborne and good times, and the great change has come. Today the special employment secretary of the Prison Association of New York says he is able to refute the statement frequently made that discharged prisoners are returning to crime because nobody will hire them. O. F. Lewis writes in the American Review of Reviews. In July, 1916, he reported that every able-bodied man that applied during the month of June and was willing to work and take what was found for him, was placed within a few days. Wages ran from \$9 to \$20 a week.

One ex-prisoner writes that he is getting \$18 a week as bookkeeper and general clerk, and is going to repay the expenses "defrayed in my behalf." Another of the gray brotherhood says that he has "suffered" an increase in salary and that he is not "kicking about the Saturday afternoon holiday that has been dispensed with."

Good-will toward the released prisoner is spreading. Hundreds of New York merchants were asked last winter to give employment to men just out of prison. A manufacturer, having taken five men, telephoned into the office, saying that the men were doing so well that he wondered if they had not given false statements as to having had a prison record for the purpose of securing positions.

The surge in the prisoner's behalf is not confined to any one state. Henry Ford has at least 600 released prisoners in his works at Detroit. Miss Katherine B. Davis, chairman of the parole commission of New York city, has been organizing the relief societies of the city into a co-operative agency for finding employment for men and women coming out of the city prisons. The men at Sing Sing and Auburn prisons are establishing branches of the Mutual Welfare league outside the prisons. In another state a new relief society has been organized by a man formerly in prison. In Kansas the prisoners are planning a co-operative bureau. Many other instances might be cited.

Immense Floating Workshop.

A floating workshop has been launched at Calcutta. The "Abydos," however, is not a boat with some workshop qualities; she is a workshop with some boat qualities. Only in the leading iron foundries in Great Britain would anything bigger or better be seen than her machinery hall. All sense of being cramped on board a ship is lost in the midst of this spacious and lofty chamber, with its steel shafting running from end to end on either side and propelling by numerous connections of belting every imaginable kind of metal-working machine. To produce this "hall" three decks (or what would be three decks in an ordinary ship) have been thrown into one, two decks for the body space of the hall, and one deck for the dome space. She carries a swinging crane capable of lifting 30 tons. Her complement consists of a crew of 100, about 150 unskilled laborers, and 300 skilled Chinese artisans, each man individually picked. These are controlled by a staff of English engineers, and each officer is a mechanical or electrical engineer of high status in his own line of work.

How to Test Diamond.

The frequent deception of the public in regard to the sale of jewelry and genuine stones in Great Britain has induced the authorities to issue a statement upon the accurate testing of diamonds. A number of instructions is given, including the following formula: When a diamond is quite clean and dry carry out the following experiment: Place on the surface a tiny drop of water. Now take a needle or pin and try to move the drop about. If the diamond is genuine the drop can be rolled about intact. On the other hand, where the gem is an imitation the water spreads directly it is touched with the needle-point. Another very good test may be carried out with a tumbler of water. Into this put the suspected article and examine its appearance. A real diamond will show up in the water with a startling clearness, and it can never be confounded with the water. On the other hand, the imitation looks indistinct, and it is sometimes difficult to see it clearly at all.

Red Tape in War Time.

From time to time, a story comes along from "Somewhere in England," or "Somewhere in France," or somewhere else, which shows that the "official routine of the official department" is receiving much buffeting in these times. A certain commander on a certain front decided, after careful thought, that he needed certain things and needed them very much. He sent his list to headquarters, and, after a long delay, came a sheet of official forms full of detailed inquiry as to why he wanted each thing he had asked for. The commander thought over the matter for a day or two. Finally he took his courage in both hands and a blue pencil in one of them, and so the story goes, wrote across each of the forms the legend, "I want these things because there is a war on over here." He got them, without further question.

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Old Elk	3.00	4.50	6.00	9.00	9.50	10.00
Sam Clay	3.00	4.50	6.00	9.00	9.50	10.00
Chicken Cock	3.75	5.40	7.40	11.00		
Old Taylor	4.00	6.00	8.00	11.50		
Bond & Lillard	4.00	6.00	8.00	11.50		
Cedar Brook, 8 years old	4.75	7.15	9.50	12.00		

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MORGAN COUNTY

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County Attorney, S. M. R. Hurt.

County Court Clerk, Ren F. Nickell,

Sheriff, L. A. Lykins,

Treasurer, W. M. Gardner,

Supt. Schools, Jas. W. Davis,

Jailer, H. C. Combs,

Assessor, A. O. Peyton,

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Surveyor, M. P. Turner,

Game and Fish Warden, John M. Perry.

County Court, Second Monday in each month.

Quarterly Court, Tuesday after Second Monday in each month.

Fiscal Court, On Wednesday after Fourth Monday in April and October.

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Second District, Jas. R. D. y. West Liberty,

Third District, Jas. R. D. y. West Liberty,

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Twenty-third District, Jas. R. D. y. West Liberty,

Twenty-fourth District, Jas. R. D. y. West Liberty,

Twenty-fifth District,

CORRESPONDENCE

WHITE OAK.

Mrs. Jeff Pratt has been very sick the past week.

Mrs. M. H. Lacy, who has been sick the past two months, is some better at this writing.

South Stamper was here last week buying turkeys and chickens, paying fifteen cents per lb. for chickens.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Howard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harris Howard and family.

Mrs. Sam Reed, of Caney, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Salter Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Pearl Allen, Carrie and Beulah May were the guests of Mrs. Dudley Howard Sunday afternoon.

Miss Clara Oney visited her cousin Edna Reed, of Lamar, last Sunday.

T. C. May went to Wolfe county on business last week. James P. Oney sold his property and business out to Alonzo Lacy, of Salyersville, and will locate in West Liberty.

R. Whitaker passed through this place enroute to Menefee county, moving to his farm which he has just recently bought.

ROXIE.

BONNY.

J. V. Oakley and family, of Illinois, spent Wednesday, Feb. 21, at the home of A. B. Lovelace.

Born to the wife of Jas. Helton, a boy (still born) and a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Blankenship are on the sick list.

Pone Pieratt attended court at Mt. Sterling last week and sold a mule for \$175.00.

Miles Yocum, of Camargo, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Havens, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Couch and Bro. Wm. Yocum spent Friday night with A. B. Lovelace.

Born to the wife of Harve Sheets Feb. 25, a boy.

Born to the wife of Chess Carter Feb. 25, a boy.

Born to the wife of Rolla Carpenter a boy.

Miss Fannie McGuire was the guest of Miss Lula Henry Saturday night and Sunday.

Nannie Henry spent Sunday with Nannie Belle Couch.

Mary McKinney spent Saturday night with her sister, Mrs. Eliza Combs, of Pekin.

Lula and Rosa Henry visited their sister, Mrs. John Rose, of Ezel, Thursday and Friday.

Measles is still raging around here.

Cora Blankenship has returned from Middletown, O.

BRUNETTE.

Bowling Green, Ky., 2-25-17.

Mr. H. G. Cottle.

West Liberty, Ky.

Dear Gardner:

Enclosed herewith check for one dollar for which send me your valuable paper for one year to above address.

Very Respt.
L. C. STEELE.

Circuit Court Will Be Held.

The Courier has received numerous enquiries as to whether Circuit Court would be held here next week. It has been rumored that Judge Gardner would adjourn Court for the session on account of smallpox and measles. We are authoritatively informed that this will not be done. There are no new cases of smallpox in town. There are a great many cases of measles but that disease seems to be as prevalent in various parts of the county as it is here.

Moreover, it is understood that defendants who want their cases continued and witnesses who are wanted before the grand jury will not be permitted to hide behind the smallpox and measles scare and make this an excuse for not attending court.

Notice.

The Normal department of the West Liberty Graded and high school has suspended, on account of measles, until Monday March 19, 1917.

J. M. LYKINS,
Teacher.

Bring us your job printing.

See That The New Seed Law Is Complied With.

The new Kentucky seed law was enacted nearly a year ago and has been in effect since September 23, 1916. Everybody concerned has had ample time to comply with it, yet it seems there are people who are not familiar with it, and some who intend to defy its provisions. Briefly stated, it requires that all field seeds, such as those of clover and oats, must bear a label giving the percentage of purity and of germination, and that sealed packets of vegetable and flower seeds shall bear the date of filling and the percentage of germination. Failure to label seeds properly renders the seller liable to a fine or from 25 to 100 dollars for each violation. The law was enacted for the protection of Kentucky farmers and seedsmen and this open letter is an appeal to them to uphold it by insisting that it be complied with.

Do not receive seeds that are not labeled as the law requires. Buy only of people who comply with the law.

Insist that field seeds be honestly labeled with the approximate percentage of purity and germination.

Insist that sealed packets of seeds bear the date of filling and the percent. of germination in large type.

If you find dodder, sour dock, or wild onion seeds among field seeds, send us samples for testing. It will be done free.

Secure a copy of the law in Circular No. 5 of the Department of Entomology and Botany, and read it carefully.

H. GORMAN,
Head of Division.

Gasoline.

I used to pay the grocer's bill when ever it was due, and in the butcher's yawning till, the coin I promptly threw. But now in vain they plead and moan, to get my good long green! for every dollar that I own, I need for gasoline. My children used to wear good clothes, they held their heads up high; no leaky shoes exposed their toes, no rents could you decry. But now they're images of woe, they're blots upon the scene, for every coin I get must go to buy some gasoline; I used to blow a plunk, at charity's behest, to give some wanderer a bunk, wherein his bones might rest; To furnish breakfast for some bo. roadweary, starved and lean, but now my dollars all must go to purchase gasoline. I used to talk of books and art, and topics safe and sane; but since I bought that choo-choo cart, I've "motors" on the brain. I cannot even spare a dime to buy a magazine; it keeps me hustling all the time to buy my gasoline.—Walt Mason.

The Witty Retort.

A Judge was lunching one very hot day when a politician paused beside his table and remarked: "Judge, I see you're drinking coffee. That's a heating drink. In this weather you should drink iced drinks—something sharp and iced. Did you ever try the combination of gin and ginger ale?"

"No," smiled the judge; "but I've tried several fellows who have."—Exchange.

A party of motorist stopped along the country highway to repair an injured tire, and Mrs. Fiske noticed a poor miserable-looking dog in a nearby field. He was howling lustily as though in great agony and it was quite evident he was suffering intense pain.

"Why," asked Mrs. Fiske, of a tired-looking rustic who was lounging by, "does that dog howl so loudly?"

"Oh, he's jest lazy, that's all," was the response.

"But," persisted the benevolent woman, "laziness doesn't make a dog howl, surely."

"Well, it does him," said the tired owner with absolute assurance, "he only jest lazy."

"But how," queried Mrs. Fiske, in doubt, "can laziness make him howl?"

"Well, mum, you see" said the rustic, "that dog is sittin' on some real tough thistles, an' he's too lazy to get off, so he jest sits there an' howls 'cause it hurts so."—The Exhaust.

Litteral.

Mrs. Lucinda Litteral died at her home on Long branch about a mile and a half north-east of town Monday the 26 inst. of measles.

Deceased was about 62 years of age and was the widow of Houston Litteral who died about a year ago. She was a sister of Mrs. W. G. Wells, of this place.

Burial took place on Elk Fork Wednesday.

John Frank Dead.

The Courier recently received a letter from Mr. Phillip S. Frank, of Garrison-on-Hudson, N. Y., announcing the death of his father, Mr. John Frank. Messrs. Frank were the joint owners of some real estate in this county. They have been subscribers to the Courier since before the present management took charge.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Bigstaff Cannel Coal Co., of Cannel City, Ky., is closing its business and winding up its affairs. This Jan. 26, 1917.

BIGSTAFF CANNEL COAL CO., 248-4 Ralph R. Wilson, Pres. Custer Jones, Agent.

Cut Bone Encourages Eggs.

When I commenced feeding green cut bone, about the first thing I did was to find its feeding value by actual test. Hens under like conditions, with fresh-cut green bone added to their feed laid nearly twice as many eggs in the winter season than did the lot without the bone.

Fifty-eight chicks hatched at the same time from the same kind of eggs were divided into two lots and treated the same, except one lot was fed some extra. The lot with bone extra to their feed grew much faster and at the end of 13 weeks, the end of the test, a person would never have thought the two lots were the same.

The lot fed the bone were not only larger, but had clearer and brighter plumage. The lot that ate the bone went through the test with the loss of but one, while the lot without the bone sustained a loss of five. This, with other observations, leads me to believe feeding bone will lessen the death rate in chicks and that old stock will be healthier.—William Jack.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that George Salyer, convicted of confederating at the March term, 1916, of the Morgan Circuit Court, will make application for a parole at the April meeting of the Board of Prison Commissioners. (Signed) GEORGE SALTER.

Local and Personal.

Oliver Perry, of Blaze, visited the Courier office Wednesday.

W. H. Gross, of Pomp, was in town on business Tuesday.

W. M. Gardner has been sick but is able to be out again.

J. T. Adkins, of Wrigley, was here on business Monday.

J. W. Coffee, of White Oak, transacted business in town Monday.

Jas. W. Prater, of near town, subscribed for the Courier while in town Monday.

A. P. Gullett, Dentist, will be at Wrigley March 12-13-14-15-16 to do dental work.

Eld. L. A. Music has moved from Jones Creek to J. W. Caskey's farm on the river near town.

W. W. Cartmell bought a fine young mare in Wolfe county last week. We didn't learn the price but it was said to be a good one.

F. D. Franklin and G. W. Pack, of Florress, were Saturday visitors at the Courier office. Mr. Pack enrolled as a member of the Courier family while here. Mr. Franklin has been a member of our household for many years.

Shade for Light.

For the electric light in the boudoir or bedroom there is a useful novelty in the way of a shade. This is an exquisite little lady dressed in rose silks and gold lace, after the style of the ladies of the court of Louis Quinze. The skirt forms the shade and the light shining through the satin and lace takes on a lovely soft glow.

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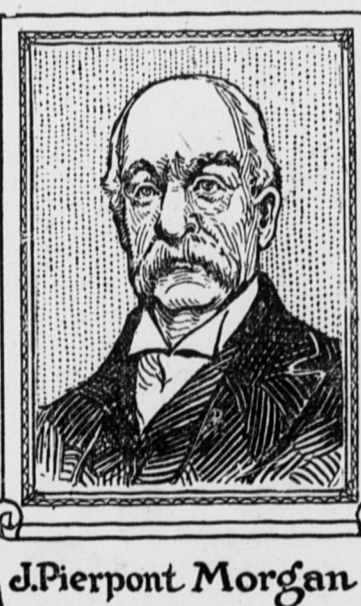
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